

## B.) AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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### ABSTRACT

~~The present invention is~~ A method for making a ceramic matrix composite turbine engine component, wherein the ~~component has a direction of maximum tensile stress during normal engine operation. The component method includes~~ comprises providing a plurality of biased ceramic plies, wherein each biased ply comprises ceramic fiber tows, the tows being woven in a first warp direction and a second weft direction, the second weft direction lying at a preselected angular orientation with respect to the first warp direction, wherein a greater number of tows are woven in the first warp direction than in the second weft direction, ~~and wherein a number of tows in the second weft direction allows the biased plies to maintain their structural integrity when handled.~~ The plurality of biased plies are laid up in a preselected arrangement to form the component, and a preselected number of the plurality of biased plies are oriented such that the orientation of the first warp direction of the ~~preselected number of biased~~ plies lie about in the direction of maximum tensile stress during normal engine operation. A coating is applied to the plurality of biased plies. ~~The coated component preform is then densified. The coating is selected from the group consisting of BN, SiC, and combinations thereof. A ceramic matrix material lies in interstitial regions between the tows of each biased ply and the interstitial region between the biased plies.~~